Dear Neighbors,

My family and I thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent you in the Connecticut General Assembly. The 2006 Legislative Session is shaping up to be pro-family, pro-jobs and pro-tax relief, all of which will be my top priorities for the 2006 session. This mailer summarizes some of the key issues I'll be working on during this legislative session.

My number one priority is to serve and represent you at the Capitol to the best of my ability. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me for more information, to voice your concerns or to share your ideas.



Sincerely,



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Commercial development and growing Waterbury's grand list are top priorities. As House Co-Chair of the Commerce Committee, I have worked to stimulate economic development in the Greater Waterbury area. In the current session of the General Assembly, I will propose \$10 million in seed capital dedicated to business growth and development.

JOB CREATION

Over the last 18 months we have created 24,600 new jobs in the state of Connecticut. The Greater Waterbury area, however, continues to lead the state in high unemployment. I supported the \$1.3 billion

transportation bill and the \$100 million stem cell research program. Not only will these and other initiatives improve the quality of life in our city, but they will also serve to create jobs in the coming years for Waterbury's residents. This year I have introduced legislation designed to increase employment opportunities in the Greater Waterbury area.

REDUCING CAR TAXES

Waterbury's taxpayers have been overburdened with a regressive car tax for too long. Currently,

Waterbury has a 53.9 mill rate, which is

one of the highest in the state. I have led the fight to take this unfair burden off the backs of individual and commercial motor vehicle owners. I will continue to push for an equalization or elimination of the car tax.